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TAGS: PINT AO

SUBJECT: VIOLENCE

REF: LUANDA 134

1. THE LUANDA PRESS OF FEBRUARY FOUR CARRIED DIFFERING  
ACCOUNTS OF THE EVENTS OF FEBRUARY THREE.

2. ALL AGREE THAT A BLACK MOB, MADDENED BY A FALSE RUMOR  
THAT A WHITE HAD MURDERED FOUR BLACKS, ATTEMPTED TO SACK AND  
BURN A WHITE-OWNED WAREHOUSE. PORTUGUESE TROOPS AS WELL AS  
ARMED ELEMENTS OF MPLA AND FNLA ARRIVED ON THE SCENE WHERE,  
IN A MANNER NOT YET CLEAR, SOMEONE OPENED FIRE. THE FINAL  
RESULT ACCORDING TO ONE PRESS ACCOUNT WAS SEVEN DEAD: TWO FNLA,  
ONE MPLA, TWO PORTUGUESE OFFICERS AND TWO CIVILIANS. ANOTHER  
PRESS ACCOUNT COUNTED SIX DEAD. THE BBC REPORTED 10 DEATHS.

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THE MILITARY HAVE NOT YET GIVEN US THEIR OFFICIAL TOLL.

3. THE ANTI-MPLA DAILY COMERCIO BLAMED THE DEATHS ON "A PERSON WITHOUT MUCH EXPERIENCE IN USING THE WEAPON HE HAD BEEN ISSUED," AN ATTEMPT TO CASTIGATE MPLA WITHOUT NAMING THE GROUP. MPLA IS REGULARLY ACCUSED BY FNLA OF ISSUING ARMS INDISCRIMINANTLY TO UNTRAINED SUPPORTERS.

4. THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE ON FEBRUARY THREE WHICH SAID THE PORTUGUESE MILITARY AND THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS HAD TAKEN THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO MAINTAIN ORDER AND PREVENT A REPETITION. THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, THE COMMUNIQUE WENT ON, CONDEMNS ALL RUMORS AND SPECULATION AND APPEALS TO THE PEOPLE TO REMAIN CALM AND NOT TO CONGREGATE. THE COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT AN INVESTIGATIVE COMMISSION HAS BEEN NAMED AND CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT REMAINS COHESIVE AND WILL NOT TOLERATE EFFORTS FROM ANY QUARTER TO THWART THIS UNITY.  
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